

In the Specification:

Please amend the Specification as follows.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at line 1 on page 10 as indicated below:

During operation of the awareness client process 52 of Fig. 1, the awareness client process 52 controls the display of at least one portion of the display area in a graphical user interface display accessible to a local user of the client system. The awareness client process 52 also operates to determine the activities of other application processes within the application processes 50. Such monitoring of the activities of other application processes within the client system may, for example, be performed by the awareness client process 52 using program code in the dynamically linked library 58-71, and using functions provided by the operating system 60 or by other application processes. In one embodiment, the awareness client process 52 operates to monitor display windows provided for other application processes in the client system by the operating system 60 in the client system graphical user interface. Such monitoring may be performed using application programming interfaces provided by the operating system 60, or by other application programs, and allows the awareness client process 52 to obtain awareness information regarding user activities on the client system involving other applications on the client system. Such awareness information may, for example, include a description of one or more of the following with regard to the client system:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at line 10 of page 11 as indicated below:

For example, in one embodiment of the disclosed system, for each of a number of predetermined known application types, including but not limited to: office productivity applications (i.e. word processing, spreadsheet, presentation editors, etc.), information browsing programs (Web and HTML browsers), file system applications (search, folder and directory listing applications), document management systems (database, shared document repositories, etc.), and others, the awareness client application process may use an associated method from the dynamically linked library 5874, appropriate for that application type, to determine and record the names of documents being accessed and the times of such accesses.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at line 19 of page 11 as indicated below:

Similarly, in another exemplary embodiment, the dynamically linked library 5874 (DLL) on the client system may be used by the awareness client application process to monitor all chat session windows present in the windowing/desktop environment provided by the operating system. In this regard, the dynamically linked library 5847 may be used to monitor window focus, keyboard/mouse activity, and participants for the chat session windows.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at line 13 of page 22 as indicated below:

Fig. 7 shows an example of an icon 182 for presenting chat session activity of a remote user to a local user through a display 180+82 for a remote user selected by a local user by

clicking on an awareness object, entry in a buddy list, or in some other way. As shown in Fig. 7, the icon 182 may include an indication of the number of current chat sessions for the selected remote user, in the example of Fig. 7 indicated by the number "1". A set of predetermined colors may also be used in presenting the icon 182 to indicate associated activity levels of the selected remote user. For example, a red color of the icon 182 may indicate a relatively recent chat session activity by the remote user, such as keyboard or mouse activity within a predetermined preceding time period, while a green color of the icon 182 may indicate a relatively low activity level, such as no keyboard or mouse activity within a predetermined preceding time period. The specific shape of the icon 182 in Fig. 7 is for purposes of illustration only, and the disclosed system is not limited to such shape. Any specific shape may be used to represent the icon for presenting chat session activity of a remote user to a local user.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at line 10 on page 26 as indicated below:

Fig. 13 shows an example of a display 300 for indicating the document access activity of a user to be shared with other users. As shown in Fig. 13, the display 300 provides an interface for a user to indicate whether or not basic document activity is to be shared with other users through the check box 302. The display 300 further provides an interface for a user to indicate whether or not a history of document accesses is to be shared with other users through the check box ~~304~~302. Additionally, the display 300 provides a pull down list 306 for a user to indicate how many documents most recently accessed are to be identified to other users.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at line 14 on page 40 as indicated below:

Those skilled in the art should readily appreciate that programs defining the functions of the present invention can be delivered to a computer in many forms; including, but not limited to: (a) information permanently stored on non-writable storage media (e.g. read only memory devices within a computer such as ROM or CD-ROM disks readable by a computer I/O attachment); or (b) information alterably stored on writable storage media (e.g. floppy disks and hard drives). ~~; or (c) information conveyed to a computer through communication media for example using baseband signaling or broadband signaling techniques, including carrier wave signaling techniques, such as over computer or telephone networks via a modem.~~